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How can people conserve tropical forests?

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| Role | Audience | Format | Topic |
| Rainforest Conservationist | Global Audience of Kids Your Age | Website | How You Can Help Protect Rainforests |

Setting Up the Task:

We have studied the catastrophic effects of deforestation on tropical forests in South America, Africa, and Asia. A common theme has emerged: people have abused the natural resources found within these forests to make quick economic gains. However, they have not explored the long-term effects that deforestation will have on the environment.

The Task:

In small groups, students must discover ways to conserve these tropical forests, protecting the environment and its abundance of natural resources for future generations. They are then charged with building a website to help educate kids around the world about conservation. They must share ways that kids around the world can spread the word about forest conservation – even if they live in lands far removed from the controversy.

Grouping:  
  
Students will be grouped using results from Sternberg’s Triarchic Theory of Intelligence.

Assessment:

Formative assessment: Students will be evaluated with a series of checklists/project management goals and informal reflections. Summative assessment: Students will be evaluated grade on their website project, using a four-point rubric.